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Applicant : Thomas Redden VEARIEL *et al.*
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Examiner : Joseph Del Sole
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Customer No. : 23455

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action, dated August 17, 2006. Although a Request for an Extension of Time is believed to be attached to this submission, this submission hereby includes a request for any extension of time necessary to effect a timely response to the pending Office Action and an authorization to charge any appropriate fees needed therefor. Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims, which begins on page 2 of this submission.

Amendments to the Specification: None.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this submission.

Conclusion begins on page 16 of this submission.